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In re Application of
Kurt R. Lehman et al.
Application No. 10/623,953
Filed: July 21, 2003
Attorney Docket No. KLA1P015AD2/P611A2
Title: In-Situ Metalization Monitoring using
Eddy Current Measurements During the
Process for Removing the Film

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed on September 22, 2003, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(f), to revive the above-identified application.

A grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(f) must be accompanied by:

- (1) Notification of the filing of an application in a foreign country or under a multinational treaty that requires 18 month publication¹;
- (2) The petition fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m), and;
- (3) A statement that the entire delay in filing the notice from the date that the notice was due under 35 U.S.C. §122(b)(2)(B)(iii) until the date the notice was filed was unintentional. The Commissioner may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional.

On September 22, 2003, the instant petition was filed with the Office. Petitioner states that the instant nonprovisional application is the subject of an application filed in either a foreign country or under a multinational agreement. Unfortunately, notification of the filing of the foreign or international application did not accompany this filing.

As such, petitioner has not met the first requirement above.

¹ See PTO/SB/36 and paragraph on PTO/SB/64a for further information. Both may be downloaded at <http://www.uspto.gov/web/forms/index.html>.

In view of the foregoing, this petition is **DISMISSED**. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within **TWO (2) MONTHS** from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(f)." Petitioner must submit the date which the foreign or international application was filed.

Petitioner is reminded that if an applicant makes a nonpublication request and then rescinds the nonpublication request before or on the date a counterpart application is filed in an eighteen-month publication country, the application will be treated as if the nonpublication request were never made, and any petition fee would be refunded.

The reply to this letter may be submitted by mail², hand-delivery³, or facsimile⁴.

The application file will be retained in the Office of Petitions for two (2) months.

Telephone inquiries regarding *this decision* should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0011.



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4 (703) 872-9306, attention Office of Petitions, Attorney Paul Shanowski.